



# Impact Report 2016

A summary ANF's social impact over the years

## What is ANF?

American Nicaraguan Foundation (ANF) is a relief and development organization whose mission is to reduce the impact of poverty in the lives of the most vulnerable populations across Nicaragua. ANF relies on a holistic community development model that integrates solutions in the areas of health and nutrition, housing, water, sanitation and agriculture.

ANF has a network of more than 1,000 local partner organizations throughout Nicaragua, including local governments, schools, clinics, religious institutions, NGOs, and civil society organizations. With the support of this network, ANF reaches the poorest communities having a significant impact thousands of families.

## Historical impact (1992-2016)

**Cumulative cash allocated to development projects:** USD 41.8 million

**Cumulative value of goods in kind (aid) distributed:** USD 1.88 billion

**ANF's total program-related expenses:** USD 1.92 billion

## Water, Sanitation & Hygiene (WASH)

Most WASH interventions complement ANF's housing initiatives. When households are scattered, ANF drills water wells. When they are built together, ANF builds small-scale electric pumping/ gravity fed systems. Additionally, ANF builds different types of sanitation facilities across the country. WASH initiatives also focus on changing families hygiene behaviors and strengthening the communities' capacity to manage their new facilities once projects conclude.

### Need Indicators

- **13%** of the population rely on unimproved sources of water (WHO/UNICEF JMP 2015)
- **32%** of the population rely on unimproved sanitation facilities (WHO/UNICEF JMP 2015)
- **7%** of the population practice open defecation (WHO/UNICEF JMP 2015)

### To date we have...

- Built **117** water wells
- Connected **4,897** households to water systems by installing tap stands in their yards/plots
- Built **9,525** sanitation facilities
- Benefited **92,491** people through our WASH initiatives

### 2016 Highlights

- We drilled **8** wells (benefiting **2,067** people)
- We installed **1,505** water tap stands (benefiting **9,424** people)
- We supported the construction of **1,307** sanitation facilities (benefiting **8,103** people)

## Health and Nutrition

ANF distributes food, medicine, medical supplies, and equipment to a network of more than 1,000 centers across the country. It also delivers mobility equipment to people with disabilities. Additionally, ANF supports feeding programs and nutritional recovery programs and facilitates educational campaigns to sensitize low-income students in topics related to health and nutrition. It also invests in the rehabilitation/ construction of medical clinics and feeding centers.

### Need Indicators

- 3.1% of GDP spent in health (BCN 2016)
- USD 63.4 spent in health per person (BCN 2016)
- 16.6% of the population is undernourished (FAO 2015)
- Leading causes of death: 1) ischaemic heart disease, 2) stroke, 3) kidney diseases, 4) diabetes mellitus, and 5) lower respiratory infections (WHO 2015)

### To date we have...

- Distributed **1,416** ocean freight containers worth **USD 1,4 billion**
- Distributed **2,440** ocean freight containers worth **USD 91.47 million**
- Helped improve the health of **2,530** malnourished children
- Helped build **11** children feeding centers
- Built/ rehabilitated **13** medical clinics

## 2016 Highlights

- We helped feed **24,789** people daily in **297 centers**
- We supported 530 severely malnourished to recover their health
- We distributed **78 medical containers** through **131 health facilities**, helping provide more than **597,000 consultations**
- We delivered specialized equipment to more than **900 individuals** with mobility disabilities
- We developed outreach campaigns to teach more than **16,023 students** about health related issues.

## Housing

Since 1998, ANF has been working with the Institute of Urban and Rural Housing (INVUR in Spanish) and different Municipalities across the country to build houses for low-income families. INVUR provides a subsidy for the houses and the Municipalities, with the support of ANF, complement the total budget.

### Need Indicators

- **78%** of families are considered homeless or to be living in poor quality houses (IDB 2012)
- **36.6%** of households have inadequate flooring (FIDEG 2016)
- **16.3%** of households are overcrowded (FIDEG 2016)
- **7.4%** of households are considered inadequate (poor flooring, roof and walls) (FIDEG 2016)

### To date we have...

- Supported the construction of **19,936** new houses, benefiting **99,680** people

## 2016 Highlights

- We supported the construction of **1,196** new houses, benefiting **7,415** people.

## Education

ANF focuses its educational programs on reducing the indirect costs to education, thereby creating incentives for parents to send their children to school. This is accomplished through the distribution of in-kind donations (schools' supplies, classroom furniture) and the implementation of school feeding programs. Additionally, ANF supports the construction of classrooms, water and sanitation stations and computer labs.

### To date we have...

- Distributed **1,037** containers of school supplies (valued at **US\$99.92 million**)
- Supported the construction/rehabilitation of **140** classrooms/schools
- Established **8** computer labs
- Helped train over **1,500** teachers in new teaching methodologies

## Agriculture and Rural Development

ANF has a dedicated team of agriculture experts who have developed proven methods to help small-holder farmers achieve food security and sustained economic growth. ANF's initiatives support rural families with agricultural inputs, training and technical assistance. Food security and agricultural activities are complemented with other initiatives that can improve the livelihoods of rural communities.

### To date we have...

- Established **28** Greenhouses (impacting 217 small-holder farmers)
- Provided technical assistance and training to **1,122** bean farmers, **206** papaya farmers and **160** beekeepers.
- Benefited **1,620** families with small-scale animal farming initiatives
- Benefited **1,925** families while fruit/ vegetable gardens initiatives
- Helped build **58** community centers

### Need Indicators

- 6.2 is the average years of schooling for the population aged 10 years and over (FIDEG 2015)
- 88.6% is the average net enrolment rate for primary-aged students
- 58.6% is the average net enrolment rate for secondary-aged students
- 43.4% of children are not-enrolled in schools for reasons related to economic problems, or the need to work outside/inside the household

### 2016 Highlights

- We distributed **12** containers of schools supplies and classroom furniture (valued at USD 540 thousand dollars)
- We helped feed **13,309** students in **118** schools (this represents over **2** million vitamin-fortified, nutrient-rich meals)
- We built **12** classrooms

### Need Indicators

- 41.9% of the Nicaraguan population live in rural areas (INIDE 2017)
- 8/ 10 poor individuals live in rural areas
- C\$ 24,492.1 (USD 929.12) is the average income per person/year in rural areas (almost half the average income per person/year in urban areas) (FIDEG 2016)
- 39% of rural households has 1 Unsatisfied Basic Need (UBN) and 22.6% of rural households has at least 2 UBN (FIDEG 2016)

### 2016 Highlights

- We installed **717** solar panels in rural households and **254** stoves (reducing wood consumption)
- Our small-scale animal farming initiatives benefited **360** families
- Our fruit/ vegetable gardens initiatives benefited **145** families
- We supported **149** beekeepers, **477** bean farmers, **26** papaya farmers and **45** vegetable farmers (producing in Greenhouses).
- We helped build **3** community centers and **1** vocational center to support the development of community activities.